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NEW TRAINS FROM BHOPAL

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether any proposal has been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh for starting new trains from Bhopal to Guwahati, Bhopal to Bhubaneswar and also from Bhopal to other major cities of the States; and

(b) If so, the reaction of the Railways thereto ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) & (b) Introduction of trains from Bhopal to Guwahati, Bhubaneswar etc. has been examined but not found feasible at present due to operational and resource constraints. However, as announced in Railway Budget 2006-2007, the following train facilities serving Bhopal are being provided during 2006-2007 : New trains :

1. 2611/2612 Nizamuddin-Chennai Garib Rath Express (weekly).
2. 9053/9054 Valsad-Udhna-Kanpur Udyog Karmi Express (weekly)
3. 2103/2104 Pune-Lucknow Express (weekly)
4. 9323/9324 Indore-Bhopal Intercity Express (daily) (Introduced from 1.7.2006) Extension :
 1. 2181/2182 Jabalpur-Kota Express upto Jaipur (extended from 1.7.2006)
 2. 1271/1272 Itarsi-Bina Vindhyachal Express upto Bhopal (extended from 1.7.2006)
 3. 8473/8474 Puri-Jaipur Express (weekly) upto Jodhpur (extended from 5.7.2006)
 4. 2967/2968 Jaipur-Chennai Express (bi-weekly) upto Coimbatore (extended from 25.7.2006) Frequency :
 1. 2715/2716 Amritsar-Nanded Sachkhand Express from 5 days to 7 days (increased from 2.8.2006)